Family Welfare Centres

1700. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there are inadequate family welfare centres, specially for mother-child welfare in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total expenditure incurred by Government on Family Welfare Centres, during the last two years and what is the process of monitoring these centres; and

(d) whether Government have received any complaints with regard to misuse of funds by the State Governments/NGOs and if so, action taken by Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI) (a) and (b) Government is aware of shortage of Family Welfare centres in the country. At present 1083 Urban Family Welfare Centres and 871 Urban Health Posts are functioning in the country, imparting Mother and Child Welfare Services.

(c) The grant-in-aid released to these centres, during last two years, is as under:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Name of the Centres	Grant released during 2002-03	Grant released during 2003-04
Urban Family Welfare Centre	5344.91	6168.49
Urban Health Post	4974.00	5558.36

The Health Centres are monitored for their functioning by periodic visits by State Government Officers, Regional Directors of Government of India and also by Officers of Central Government.

(d) No specific complaint has been received by this Ministry for any misuse of funds under these schemes.